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For other local and county items, see our second page to-day.

The choir of the different churches have begun practicing Easter music.

The ladies of the Eastern Star are requested to meet at the residence of the Worthy Matron next Tuesday evening at 7.30 o'clock, to consider matters relative to the Easter entertainment.

Miss Sibley has sold her millinery store to the Misses Ryan as announced in another column. Miss M. Ryan has gone to New York to look up spring styles. In due time they will announce their opening of new goods.

The maple sugar weighers for Vermont have been appointed. Those for this vicinity are: Jamaica, M. L. Boynton; Manchester Depot, J. C. Blackmer; Readsboro, M. M. Houghton; Rupert, F. A. Sheldon; South Londonderry, H. P. Chase; Wilmington, H. E. Mann.

There will be a musical and literary entertainment at the Methodist church next Wednesday evening, March 15th, at 7.30 o'clock, after which warm sugar will be served in the parlors. Admission thirty-five cents, including refreshments. The committee invite all who would enjoy a pleasant and social evening.

The village caucus Wednesday evening, nominated the following ticket: For president, H. T. Cushman, 2nd; clerk, John H. Kelso; treasurer, Geo. F. Graves; auditors, John P. Guitinan, Henry D. Fillmore, Charles H. Mason, Ward 5, held its caucus last evening and nominated C. B. Viall for trustee.

S. H. Rockwood's class in penmanship closed last Saturday evening. The awards for becoming the best writers were as follows, in the order named: Miss Lula Mentor, Miss Edith Stewart, Mrs. Wm. Mathers. Those making the most improvement: Miss Estella Marsden, Daniel Cullion, Miss Ida Hoyer.

On Sunday William Conroy alias Henry McDowell, in jail on a charge of murdering John Crowley, obtained possession of a bottle of alcohol and became intoxicated. Conroy tipped over the stove and threw the bedding upon the coals. The jailer turned the hose upon the fire and prisoner and brought both under subjugation.

CHAS. A. HINSDILL of North Bennington, has a notice in another column that will interest our people. He has issued from the BANNER job rooms a price list of small fruits and vegetable plants, grown by himself, for sale at reasonable prices. Give him a call and encourage home industries. There is no reason why this beginning of Mr. Hinsdill's should not develop into a large farm establishment for the purposes named.

List of letters advertised in the Post Office at Bennington, for the week ending March 4th, 1893: Hal H. Allard (2), M. J. Mathewson, Miss Irene Estabrook, Miss Mary Allen, Mrs. E. C. Gardner, Mrs. James Sexton, Mrs. R. A. Thompson. These letters will be sent to the Dead Letters Office March 18th, '93, if not delivered before. In calling please say "advertised" giving date of list.

The camp fire given by Custer post, G. A. R. at the close of their regular meeting Saturday evening was one of the pleasantest events of the season. The comrades of the post were present in large numbers, and the Sixth Corps post, Sons of Veterans, Women's Relief Corps and other friends were well represented. Clam chowder was served, followed by music and brief addresses from the comrades of both posts.

DURING the year ending January 31st, the town clerk issued 406 dog licenses, for which he received \$474. During the same time there was paid from the dog fund for damages to sheep, etc., \$190.25.

There is now in the hands of the treasurer to the credit of dog fund \$1655. There is also a balance on hand to the credit of the school fund of \$1072.91. There was a deficiency in the highway fund during the year of \$4321.26. The amount of uncollected taxes in the hands of the town collector is \$3605.87.

REFERRING to the city election of Rutland, an exchange says: "Town meeting day is not only a characteristic and interesting New England institution and an illustration of democratic principles, but it affords opportunity for a certain mild excitement which relieves the monotony of country life. There are animated discussions, and not a little ambitious rhetoric, and many chances for the sharpening of wits in the exchange of arguments and repartee. A town always loses something when it grows too large for such methods of transacting business and takes on the dignity of the city."

THE progressiveness of this town and village is beginning to tell in its behalf. We have before us a letter asking after Bennington as a place to live, by a gentleman in a distant State who desires to retire from business and settle down to enjoy life. We were able to reply to all his questions in the affirmative. He was particular as to roads, streets, lights, water, sewerage, schools, churches, sites for residences, etc. All of which we have in abundant measure, except sewerage, and that is coming. The finances of the town, too, are in good shape to represent to strangers desiring to settle among us.

Mrs. E. L. Bates has been critically ill for a few days, but is better now.

Mrs. M. W. Stewart goes to Rutherford, N. J., in a few days to visit her daughter, Mrs. O. R. Bennett.

The BANNER job rooms are in the old place, rear of the burned front, North street, and our facilities for job work are not crippled in the least. Send in your orders as usual.

THERE are more sons of the Revolution than one might suppose. The father and grandfather of Peter Fay of Southboro, says the Boston Journal, were in the Continental army. Peter Fay's father, at the age of seventeen, was in the battle of Bennington.

The plate glass front that Enos Adams has been putting into the drug store, to be opened shortly by Van Vleck & Potter, is nearly completed. It is of the same pattern as the post office building. "Uncle Enos" moves slowly but when he fixes up a building it is first quality of work.

THE N. Y. Tribune prints a despatch from Columbus, Indiana, and asks the question: "Is euchre for prizes gambling?" The despatch reads: "The biggest social sensation ever known in this city was occasioned by the Grand Jury causing service to issue March 3d, on 100 men and women, society leaders of the city, members of wealth and prominent families. The plan is to have them indicted by the Grand Jury for gambling, for playing progressive euchre in which prizes are offered. The professional gamblers, who are seeking revenge for being suppressed, are the instigators."

WALTER RICE has shown us a stalk of corn, taken from his field last fall, that had four fully developed and ripened ears. In all his experience he says he never saw or heard of an instance like it. The variety is the small, eight-rowed corn, and he also gave us samples of two ears on a stalk, that showed he raises excellent crops. He says rich soil is what does these things, although he has selected seeds from the largest of two ears on one stalk and believes the product is more likely to be a larger yield than from seed selected haphazard from the largest ears. Who can come up to Mr. Rice's record.

THE Lock Haven, Pa., Democrat of February 23d, says: "Last evening at 8 o'clock at the residence of the bride's parents, 700 Bellefonte avenue, Elder C. S. Long performed the ceremony that made L. J. Marsh, of Philadelphia and Miss Jeanette Chatham husband and wife. Among the guests present were Mrs. H. W. Marsh, mother of the groom, of Bennington, Vt.; Mrs. E. E. Phillips, sister of the groom, of Blackinton, Mass.; Richard Johnson of Johnsonburg and Miss Dora Beechdel of Blanchard. The newly married couple left last night for Philadelphia, where they will make their future home."

W. J. THOMPSON of the Ensor Institute, the discoverer of the remedies used, starts from Omaha for Bennington today. The Doctor will arrive Monday and arrangements have been made to have him meet a number of our leading citizens. A dinner party at the Putnam will no doubt be a part of the reception programme. The medical fraternity of the town have expressed a desire to meet Dr. Ensor in connection with the experimental institute established here and now the opportunity will be afforded. The test cases undertaken have proved the efficacy of the cure. Let the good work proceed.

WEDNESDAY night, says the Troy Times, fire was discovered in the card room of the Standard knitting mill, Cohoes, operated by Pilling & Scullen. The building and machinery are owned by Newman & Adams. Six or seven streams were directed from the fire engines upon the burning structure. After two hours' work the fire was under control. The proprietors are at a loss to know the cause of the fire, but it is supposed to be spontaneous combustion. The damage though great in all of the south part of the building, is principally in the card room. The mill was not in operation at the time the fire started. The loss cannot be estimated, but it is probable that between \$10,000 and \$15,000. Three sets of cards valued at \$3000 each, were totally destroyed. The lower floors of the building were flooded with water. Pilling & Scullen commenced operating the mill about six months ago.

THE Tribune Almanac for 1893 has been promptly issued, and now lies before us on our table. There never before were so many valuable tables, nor so much exceedingly useful information, packed into a Tribune almanac as into the one for 1893, which has just been received. There are 350 pages, including a page map of the World's Fair grounds, and hundreds of features of the most timely interest. The officers and committees and other data of the World's Fair are given in full, this feature occupying eleven pages. The elaborate tables, showing the amount of gold, silver and paper money in circulation, year by year, since 1801, will be needed for constant reference as long as free coinage and unlimited paper money are public issues. Of course the Presidential election, the vote in the different States, the platforms of the parties, the new Congress, etc., require much space in the book, and they receive it; there is no partisanship in the Tribune almanac, it is purely a statistical work, and the figures, bad as they are for Republicans, are given just as they are. The gold and silver coinage, year by year, for the whole period since 1793, is a strong feature. All the statistics of foreign trade, debt, banking, pensions, public lands, revenues and appropriations, etc., are included, and there are numerous general matters, such as divorce, marriage and naturalization laws, the record of racing and athletic sports, legal holidays, legal interest, copyright, etc., etc. Altogether an exceedingly fine number, and all for twenty-five cents.

CAPT. AND MRS. H. D. FILLMORE gave a card party Tuesday evening to about thirty of their friends. It was a fine affair.

MRS. HENRIETTA ADAMS will erect a double two-story dwelling this year on the street running south from Silver and south of Hillside.

WM. E. HAWKS, Esq., is home again after a protracted visit to the southwest, where he is interested in a large electric plant lately put in.

STARK LODGE of Odd Fellows worked the Second degree last Wednesday evening. Under M. E. Watson, N. G., this lodge is prosperous.

Geo. DEWEY is at home taking a vacation from business. His health gave out and a couple of weeks ago he returned home from New York.

Mrs. E. P. BROWN of Shelburne Falls, Mass., has been visiting the family of Lyman Evans and other friends in Bennington. She returned Wednesday.

E. H. MCINTYRE has moved to the east store in the new Putnam block. He has elegant quarters, and, like the others who have occupied these handsome stores, enjoys a fine trade.

THE Council of R. and S. M., Bennington, No. 3, will hold a special assembly at Masonic Hall next Monday evening, for work. There are several candidates to receive the degrees.

THE members of the O. E. S. may be glad to know that last month Past Grand Patron Curran, assisted by Rob Morris Chapter of Montpelier, instituted Ruth Chapter, No. 33, at Barre.

J. ED. WALBRIDGE has already begun the extensive building operations outlined in our "boom" article of Jan. 6th, 1893. It takes something besides "cold weather" to stop "Ed." when once his mind is made up.

MISS HELEN ROGERS of the Bennington High school is critically ill with pneumonia. She was taken two weeks ago with a "la Grippe" cold, but she kept around until the close of last week. She is no better this evening.

ON assuming command of the Vermont Division S. O. V., Geo. O. Webster, commander issues General Orders, No. 1, and has favored us with a copy. We find 57 camps in the state of which six are yet under suspension—none of these in this part of Vermont. Apparently the order is in a flourishing condition.

THE business office of the BANNER for the present is in the third story of the First National Bank building. Call and see us. This issue appears in its full form, printed on our own type and presses. The sheet shows traces of the late fire, as our readers will readily see, but we shall improve in style when our type thaws out.

THE various ward caucuses this evening completes the nominations for village trustees as follows: Ward 1, John S. Holden; ward 2, Frank Sullivan; ward 3, Joseph Watson; ward 4, Col. Olin Scott; ward 5, C. B. Viall; ward 6, C. C. Kimball; ward 7, E. W. Bradford. The nominees in wards 1, 3 and 6 are the present trustees of their several wards. FRANK WEAVER has already had several applications to "survey lumber and shingles," by those contemplating building operations the coming summer, and his reply fully bears out the BANNER's recent commendation of him for the office of surveyor of lumber and inspector of shingles. Inspector Weaver will never pass sap shingles and manufacturers may as well take notice now as later.

THE Free Press has a sensible editorial, which we print in another column, taking our incendiary fire as a text. An investigation was begun this week, conducted by the State's Attorney before the Municipal Court, which was adjourned until to-morrow. Let the inquiry be thorough, and no stone be left unturned to bring the guilty to punishment.

LANDLORD COLLINS of the Putnam House has begun to prepare for the summer trade. Several additional rooms will be furnished, and new furniture provided for those now in use. This house has had an exceptionally prosperous winter. The table boarders were never so many nor the tables better set. His first class cook will remain permanently.

THIS evening's Troy papers have this item: "Col. M. S. Colburn of Manchester, Vt., was in this city yesterday on his way to New York to join Gen. J. G. McCullough, president of the Bennington & Rutland railway, on an extended western and southern trip. Gen. McCullough will take his family, and they will leave Jersey City Friday night in his private car. They will go first to Cincinnati, then to New Orleans and west through New Mexico, Texas and California, returning home in about two months."

THE press dispatches of to-day state that the Rev. Dr. Charles S. Robinson, the noted hymnologist, has accepted the call of the New York Presbyterian church at 128th street and Seventh avenue, to become its pastor. The church has had no settled pastor since the resignation of Rev. Dr. W. W. Page, nearly eighteen months ago, but Dr. Robinson has supplied the pulpit for several months. He will accept no salary, following in this respect his course in the Memorial, the Eighty-sixth Street and Thirtieth Street Presbyterian churches where he has preached.

It affords us satisfaction to announce the election of the Republican candidate for the office of inspector of lumber and shingles, at our town election last Tuesday. It was the triumph of the better element in politics. Eminent gifted by education and training for the discharge of public duties, we predict for the administration of Herr Weaver the unqualified approval of his fellow citizens. Next week we hope to be able to quote words of commendation of the election of Herr Weaver from Staats Zeitung, Schwarzwälder Wochenblatt, and other leading journals of "German extraction."

MRS. W. D. NEWTON, who has been seriously ill for several weeks, is much better.

THE new drug store of Van Vleck and Potter is expected to be ready for business in about a week.

YESTERDAY afternoon, Dr. J. H. Potter, Jr., slipped and fell on the sidewalk, breaking his shoulder blade.

BENNINGTON believes herself possessed of an incendiary and is therefore very much on the alert.—Hoosick Falls Democrat.

THE BANNER stationery store has been removed to the Putnam House block, to the store used as a sample room. The entrance is at the telegraph office door.

FOR the thirty consecutive working days ending March 4th, the weight of mails at this post office for the L S R R were as follows: Outgoing 2829 pounds; received 2208 pounds.

MISS ROSE THORNTON of Bellows Falls, has taken a position as compositor on this paper. Her coming here was the occasion of several complimentary notices by our East-side exchanges.

AT a campfire, held by post Wood in Hoosick Falls, N. Y., Wednesday evening of this week, Commander Frost and Past Commander McNamar of Custer Post, G. A. R. made remarks. About 20 veterans from Bennington were present.

THE losses by the late fire are in process of adjustment and some of them have been settled. To-morrow L. G. Bagly is expected in town to settle with Mr. Yates, and the Vermont Mutual are coming again to confer with Mr. Sibley. The losses paid are as follows: Watson \$20; BANNER—loss on building and contents—\$1,731.65; Mr. Heath—building—\$470; on stock, not yet adjusted.

THE hearing before ex-Governor Dillingham in the Chancery suit of the Hartford Trust Company, vs. The Battle Monument Association, et al., was adjourned this afternoon until April 18th. The testimony, direct and cross, of Chas. M. Bliss has been taken, he having been on the stand for fourteen days.

THE office of the Bennington BANNER was gutted by fire Tuesday morning of last week, but that enterprising sheet made its appearance promptly on the day of publication. Of such is the plucky, energetic journalism of Vermont and congratulations are extended our wide-awake contemporary in this handsomely surmounting all obstacles.—Vermont Journal.

## TOWN MEETING.

Town meeting under the amendments to the Australian ballot law, passed off quietly, and resulted in the election of a fine board of town officers. Neither ticket was elected but from the candidacies presented, by the Republican and Democratic caucuses an excellent choice could be and was made. The town voted, first, to elect three selectmen, three listers, three fence viewers, three town grand jurors, and three school directors. The balloting then began and the boxes were turned at 2 p. m., as provided in the statute. Notwithstanding our notice for two weeks to that effect several of our readers lost their votes because "too late."

THE counting was a long and tedious process, and resulted in the election shown below. The first count disclosed a mistake that on a recount showed that a great omission occurred during the first canvass of the ballots. In times gone by our Democratic friends have charged Republicans with "count out" proclivities on a much less provocation than this occasion affords, but, gentlemen we are not disposed to retort to pay off old scores. We believe the mistake to have been honestly made, and as it took until 1 o'clock in the morning to finish the recount, it is quite evident no care was spared to have the facts correct when the result was declared at that early hour Wednesday. There were 761 ballots cast. We give the vote, the figures following the names indicating the votes polled, and where no figures appear, the parties named were elected as follows:

Moderator—John V. Carney, 360.  
Town Clerk—E. A. Booth.  
Selectmen—F. M. Crawford, 386; E. F. Boyd, 275; George Hinsdill, 251; Richard M. Houghton, 394; Alfred Robinson, 374; Charles M. Houghton, 346.

Town Treasurer—George F. Graves.  
Overseer of Poor—Gideon K. Morse, 338; Melvin W. Stewart, 299.

First Constable and Collector—Fredrick Godfrey, 419; Andrew J. Griffin, 242.

Second Constable—John Nash.  
Listers—I. E. Gibson, 264; J. O. Bangs, 167; John P. Harwood, 182; J. L. McCall, 141; Henry Stafford, 133; Emory S. Harris, 253; John J. Miller, 178; Jared Howard, 98; Martin V. Armstrong, 147; Edward Walbridge, 184.

Auditors—E. D. Welling; I. E. Gibson; E. B. Daley.

Trustee of Public Money—Enos Adams.

Fence Viewers—Aaron F. Denio, Elmer Rudd, Henry Stafford.

Grand Jurors—Samuel Keyes, L. B. Newton, Michael Welch.

Inspector of Leather—J. W. Williams.

Pound Keeper—Morris Connelly.

Surveyor of Wood and Inspector of Lumber and Shingles—Frank Weaver, 300; Albert M. Downs, 216.

Town Agent—Rufus B. Godfrey, 335; John Robinson, 264.

Road Commissioner—Charles H. Rockwood, 301; Paul M. Sanders, 288.

School Directors—S. C. Lyons, 3 years; Edward Rice 2 years; Wm. Downs, 1 year.

THE tax voted was 100 cents on the dollar, which, together with the statute highway tax of 20 cents, and 5 cents state road tax makes the total of 125 cents on the dollar. The town outside the graded districts have a school tax additional, but nothing but the 100 cents is subject to vote.

THE auditors were allowed \$5 per day, and all the other town officers \$2 per

day for services the past year.

THE usual sum of \$100 was unanimously voted toward the expenses of Memorial day.

THE jurisdiction of the constables was extended over the state. The deficit in the highway fund was made good by a book-keeping order.

THE town voted to hire the room in the Putnam building, West Main street, next east of the National Express office. This room has a vault and was built for the town officers. This decision does away with having another safe urgently needed, and transfers the records from a wooden to a brick building, with ample fire proof vault conveniences. The usual vote was taken to place the tax bill in the hands of the treasurer July 1st. The meeting decided not to buy a stone crusher, the only article in the warning decided in the negative.

## SPECIAL VILLAGE MEETING.

THE special village meeting Monday afternoon was largely attended. Dr. Daley, president, presided. The call was read by the clerk. A discussion followed, participated in by several gentlemen. The following motion was before the house, being the report of the special committee of five on sewers: "That the trustees of the village be authorized and directed to close a contract for the construction of a system of sewers according to the McClintock plan, with the lowest responsible bidder recommended by the committee, and that the trustees be authorized and directed to close contracts for the purchase of pipe and material for said sewer system with the parties recommended by the committee."

AFTER discussion, this was adopted, the vote standing 64 for to 80 against it. The meeting then proceeded to adopt ways and means: "Voted, That the trustees be authorized to borrow from time to time, such sums as may be necessary to carry on the work of putting in a sewerage system in the village of Bennington, but not exceeding the sum of \$35,000 in the aggregate."

THESE resolutions are in accordance with the amendment to the village charter, of which we gave a summary last week. In effect the village voted to put in a system of sewers, according to the plans and specifications published in pamphlet form last fall, modified in some particulars to conform to better knowledge. This is summarized to be virtually the W. E. McClintock plans as stated.

THE section to be sewer covered nearly the entire village, and calls for about eight miles of pipes, in exact measure 730-100 miles. The place of discharge is the Walloomsac river, about a quarter-mile below the mills of Holden, Leonard & Co. All the estimates of the system are based on a population of 30 persons to each acre. The total number of acres discharging through the main outlet at Mill and County streets is 335, which allows for a population of 10,050 within the village district between County and Weeks, the railroad and Branch street. The discharge for this number of persons amounts to 2,010,000 gallons a day, or a little more than three cubic feet a second, and on the grade of proposed lines will require a fifteen inch pipe. The plans call for eight inch pipes on all sewers having a grade of less than one foot to the hundred, and a flush manhole at all dead ends, where the grade is less than two feet to the hundred. The estimated cost of the undertaking is about \$35,000. Operations will be commenced as soon as the frost shall be out of the ground. The abutting property on each side of the sewer will be assessed one-third the cost and the village will pay the other third. In this connection it has been suggested that inasmuch as the village is to incur the whole expense at the outset, that if the bonds do not begin to mature until five years after issue, it will virtually give lot owners that time in which to pay the assessments. This would relieve the burden of immediate assessments for the whole of five years. At the end of the five years, the money accruing from the payments of abutting property owners would be sufficient to pay the maturing bonds for a number of years. In this manner we can get sewers and neither those liable to assessments nor the general public be burdened with any appreciable taxation. The extra expense will really amount to a tax on the grand list for the payment of four per cent. interest—an inconsiderable sum. This suggestion, which we give for the consideration of our readers, in effect removes the payment of the one-third the village is ultimately liable for, to a period so remote that no one will care. This consideration is thrown out also to show that it is not to become an immediate burden of taxation to put in the needed sewerage.

## THE WHITTIER CLUB.

A literary and debating club was formed in Bennington last fall by a few young men desirous of availing themselves of the benefits of earnest young men always derive from such sources. The club was formed after the death of America's beloved poet, Whittier, in whose honor it was named.

DURING the evenings these young men have met together and profitable and creditable work has been done by them.

THE last meeting of the club was held by appointment at the attractive office of Dr. W. E. Putnam, in the Putnam building, and those present were most agreeably entertained by Dr. Putnam with an account of his travels in Europe and the Orient, at the close of his studies in the London Hospital. The doctor visited many of the historical cities of Europe. His description of cities in Southern Europe, Rome, Pompeii, Naples, Messina, and scenes along the shores of the Mediterranean, was graphic and instructive.

THE doctor gave a description of cities and points of interest in Egypt and Syr-

ia, including Alexandria, Cairo, the Pyramids, Suez Canal, Joppa, Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Bethany, etc.

HE also spoke of the wonderful fortified convent of Mar Saba, situated in the wilderness of Judea, where he spent a night. This convent, the richest in Palestine, and which having once entered, the monks never leave, was founded some fifteen centuries ago. But one woman has ever entered this convent. She gained admission dressed in male attire. Her sex being soon discovered, she was immediately put outside the convent walls, and was obliged, with her party, to pass the night in the wilderness. The chapel of Mar Saba is located under ground and is magnificent beyond description.

FROM this convent the doctor journeyed on to the Dead Sea and bathed in its mysterious waters in which no living thing exists. On its shores is found no vegetation save the bush bearing "Dead Sea Fruit," or the apples of Sodom. Thence he went on to the River Jordan, through heat so intense as to nearly prostrate him with sunstroke, visiting the traditional site of the baptism of Christ by St. John, and having in view the peak of Mount Nebo, from which Moses beheld the Promised Land and on which he died:

"The Angels of God upturned the Sod, And laid the dead man there."

FROM Jordan he passed over the brook Chevith where Elijah was miraculously fed by the ravens, reaching Jericho in the evening. He spent the night there. Starting out on the following morning over the ancient road leading from Jericho to Jerusalem, he reached the Holy City that night.

His description of the Holy Sepulchre, Calvary, the Mosque of Omar, on the site of the Temple of Solomon, the Garden of Gethsemane, Pool of Solomon, Mount of Olives, and the many other places of interest in and about the city, was most entertaining and instructive.

THE doctor's narrative of his travels was indeed an intellectual oasis in the lives of these young men whose daily toil affords but few opportunities for learning of the countries so happily described by Dr. Putnam from personal study and observation.

IT is unnecessary to add that in return for his kindness, the Whittier Club gave Dr. Putnam a vote of sincere thanks.

## OUR VILLAGE FATHERS.

Regular trustee meeting March 6th, 1893. Present, Emmett B. Daley, president; Nash, Holden, Lindloff, Carney, Kimball, Watson and Powers, trustees.

THE following bills ordered paid: A C Sweet, police duty, \$9.75; A R Dunn, police duty for January and February, \$16; A J Griffin, police duty, \$11; A R Dunn, driving hook and ladder to fire, \$8; J P Guitinan, auditing of accounts, \$9.50; L H Buss, drawing steamer to fire, \$3; J V Hall & Son, insurance on engine house, \$18.50; Charles Burt, harness hooks for fire department, 60c; Y. M. Association, rent of Library Hall, \$5; J H Loring & Co, coal for fire department, \$31.50; H M Tuttle, highway bill, \$43.

Voted, That the bill for street lighting be laid on the table.

Voted, That Frank L. Allen of Worcester be notified to come to Bennington to sign the contract and furnish bond for the construction of a sewer.

Voted, To close the contract with the Waldo Brothers of Boston, Mass., for sewer pipe.

Voted, That Messrs. McClintock & Woodfall of Boston, Mass., be engaged to superintend the putting in of sewers in our village.

Voted, The collector be instructed to demand the unpaid assessments in the hands of the attorney, and to collect the same at once.

Voted, To adjourn subject to the call of the president.

J. H. KELSO, Clerk.

## TOWN OFFICERS.

ARLINGTON—Town officers, moderator, J. K. Batchelder; clerk, Geo. B. Holden; treasurer, E. C. Woodworth; selectmen, E. M. Lathrop, J. B. Webb, C. H. Young; overseer of poor, Marshall Goewey; 1st constable, H. S. Willson; 2nd constable, Eli D. Stone, auditors, M. H. Deming, O. M. Barber, H. Parsons; road commissioner, M. F. Killian; school commissioners, H. S. Willson 3 years, L. B. Graves 2 years, Chas. Buck 1 year; law agent, O. M. Barber; listers, Jacob Shackshober, J. D. Conroy, R. F. Davis.

DORSET—moderator, C. B. Kent, clerk, George M. Viall; treasurer, George M. Viall; selectmen, E. M. Torrey, Patrick McDevitt, A. B. Roberts; constable, Nathaniel McWayne; overseer, the selectmen; listers, W. H. Bebee, George M. Viall, Nathaniel McWayne; school trustees, John Fisher, Thomas Quigley, William McDevitt; agent, A. L. Bowen; road commissioner, C. N. Potter. Tax voted, 100 cents.

LANDROVER—moderator, William E. Tuttle; clerk, W. W. Wiley; treasurer, W. W. Wiley; selectmen, L. F. Woodward, A. D. Reynolds and George W. Harris; constable, Alfred Childs; overseer, W. W. Wiley; listers, W. W. Abbott, H. N. Fuller and O. J. Holden; school trustees, L. F. Woodward, W. H. Landfear and W. W. Wiley; agent, William E. Tuttle; road commissioner, Warren W. Wiley. Tax voted, 200 cents.

MANCHESTER—moderator, M. S. Colburn; clerk, D. K. Simonds; selectmen, John Battis, A. B. Connor, C. K. Bucklin; treasurer, J. P. Black; overseer of poor, John Battis; 1st constable, F. D. Giddings; 2nd constable, Frank M. Walker; listers, F. W. Cook, R. W. Dean, Wm. Smith; auditors, H. Eggleston, E. C. Orvis, J. H. Whipple; fence viewers, James Hanley, A. H. Bowman, W. F. Amidon; grand jurors, O. G. Felt, E. L. Taylor; inspector of leather, J. H. Whipple; surveyors of wood etc, T. Perkins; J. H. Bonesteel, J. C. Blackmer; highway commissioner, E. B. Smith; law agent,